

## HOW HE WAS KILLED

The Coroner's Jury Blames the Railway Company

## FOR OTTO KEMMER'S DEATH

The Gates Could Not Be Worked Because the Cable Would Not Work. The Testimony.

The terrible death of Otto F. Kemmer of Lima, Ohio, who was killed by the cars at the Waterloo street crossing on Tuesday, will probably result in a suit for damages against the G. & I. railroad company.

The county has provided an excellent coroner's court room in the court house, but Casper Beaudet persists in holding inquests in a little 1½ private office on Canal street. There he has not room enough to give all the witnesses and others who are called there chairs to sit upon. The room in the court house is large, well furnished and well lighted, with a small jury room attached.

The coroner's jury unani-

mously found the man guilty of manslaughter. The man was crossing to overflowing, and a number of persons could not find seats. L. E. Knapp appeared for the family of deceased and J. H. Campbell for the railroad company.

The first witness sworn was Charles Grinnell, from whose carriage deceased jumped when he was killed. He swore that he was driving south on Waterloo street and not seeing a flagman, supposed the way was clear. As his horse had come up almost on a line with the track he heard some one yell to stop. He saw the danger and pulled the horse to the right. The cars frightened the animal and he was unable to state whether Mr. Kemmer jumped or was thrown out of the buggy. A long-horned Democrat was seen to be walking on the east side of the street when the cars passed and saw the other accident. There was no time to cross the track after he heard the alarm and as far as he could see, turned the horses to one side. There was no flagman on the crossing, but a watchman was anchored on the watch tower.

## Other Testimony.

Hart Barrett swore he was a brakeman and stood on top of the first car that struck the man. He did not notice the ring until it turned west along the track. He stood ten feet from the end of the car and when he saw the danger he did not stop the train. He did not see Mr. Kemmer jump, but heard him yell as the cars struck him. The gates at the crossing had not been used for at least a month. The cars, six in number, were being kicked across the crossing but were not moving faster than six miles an hour.

Patrick McCarthy, the engineer, knew little about the case. He got a signal to stop and did so, not knowing that an accident had occurred. S. Kench, who gave the signal to cut the cars from the engine, swore that he had given the signal before he saw the carriage. He saw Kemmer jump and, by crooking his head, saw the wheels pass over him. Five cars in all passed over him.

The testimony of the fireman and of the brakeman who pulled the coupling pin between the engine and the cars was taken, but neither of them saw the accident.

Mr. Campbell called Chief Engineer G. Stewart Johnson as a witness to show the cause of the gates' failure to open. He said that the gates were operated by a cable running through pipes underground, that this pipe had been frozen up for some time and that efforts to keep them thawed out had been unsuccessful.

The jury returned a verdict to the effect that deceased came to his death through negligence of the railroad company in not having the crossing properly guarded.

The brother of deceased and manager of the company for which he worked, arrived yesterday and left for home with the remains at 6 o'clock last night.

## Minor Court Notes.

Claire A. Spoor and Merrill E. Travis, executors of the estate of Chilie Ives, have appealed from the decision of the probate court in not allowing the claims of her estate against the estate of her husband, Harry H. Ives. The case will now be tried in the circuit court.

Michael Corrigan, arrested for leaving a dead horse unburied near the public highway in Ada township, was convicted before Justice Westfall yesterday and was fined \$5. He was ordered to bury the horse within twenty-four hours.

It took the jury which tried James Parker for forgery in the superior court but a short time to reach a verdict. The evidence was strongly against Parker and he will probably go over the road for a long term.

A jury convicted William Mulligan of burglarizing a bar on the G. R. & I. road in Justice Holcomb's court yesterday. He will be sentenced today.

## Court Records.

United States Circuit Court. Jason Stearns, Hugh E. Wilson admitted to practice.

United States District Court. Jason Stearns—United States vs. Dennis McDonald, passing liquor convicted. Sentence deferred until April 4. United States vs. Leslie Keating, mailing obscene letter, pleaded not guilty. Jury exonerated for him.

Superior Court. The People vs. James Parker, forgery, verdict guilty. The People vs. John Bolley, violent assault toward a male child, pleaded not guilty. The People vs. A. J. Koebler, assault Sunday, pleaded not guilty. The People vs. Mrs. Emily, attempt to commit burglary, pleaded not guilty. The People vs. Maria Fossard, indecent assault upon a female child, pleaded not guilty.

## Circuit Court.

People vs. Orlando L. Lightfoot vs. George H. Goldfarb, assault with intent to inflict \$250.00. Western Wheel Scraper company vs. John Haag, assault, on trial.

People vs. H. M. Glassoff vs. William Schuster, dismissed.

## Police Court.

James Rosenthal—William Verbeck, dog fighting, adjudicated to March 29. Romeo Landry, robbery, adjudicated to March 29. L. C. Chapman and J. Stevens, police fighting, adjudicated to March 29. Guy Chaffee, robbery adjudicated to March 29. W.H. Taylor, assault and battery, sentence suspended. Jas. E. Verney, assault, suspended to March 29.

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